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Participants and EP Staff of the 2006 Kids Invent Toys™ Summer Program in Lacombe



And They're Off...Amazing River Ride

Among the participants at the Amazing River Ride were the Hawaiian team (above - Janice McWhan, Karen Fegan, Debbie and Denis Bobocel). *More on page B3...*

Photo courtesy of Pat Buckland

Young Inventors Gather to Create Toys

Write-up and Photos submitted by East Parkland CBDC staff

Did they invent the next Slinky, Frisbee, or Monopoly? Only time will tell, but for the children enrolled in the 'Kids Invent Toys™' program, it was a week of wildly creative learning experiences, complete with a field trip to a Toys 'R' Us store, and an opportunity to show-off their inventions at their own Toy Inventing Fair!

Kids Invent Toys™ was a four-day summer program sponsored by East Parkland CBDC in Lacombe from July 11-14, 2006. Thirteen kids from grades 3 through 7 made mock-up toys, created new ones, and learned about inventing and entrepreneurship, all in a creative and fun atmosphere. After analyzing items at Red Deer's Toys 'R' Us to get ideas, they created their own new toy, along with a marketing plan to make their toy invention the next big hit.

East Parkland Community and Business Development Corporation (CBDC) is a not-for-profit, federally funded organization based in Mirror, and has always been a strong advocate for the benefit of summer youth programming in order to promote business and entrepreneurship awareness in young people. Over the past 12 years, East parkland CBDC has operated the *Fortune Hunters* program but this summer has replaced it with the *Kids Invent Toys™*, and hopes to expend this program to other communities in its region in the future.

For further information on this program and event, please contact Paul Peters at (403) 788-2212.



Alix Sports Day

August 19, 2006

11:30 - 4:00 pm

Alix MAC School Grounds



Join us for a blast!

Activities include:

Penny carnival (bring your pennies)

Party bouncer

Drop-in baseball for Adults 16 & over

Magician

Petting Zoo

Drop-in basketball



There will be signup sheets for the baseball in various stores and at my office in the firehall.

The pennies we collect will go towards the skateboard park.

Any questions, please phone Glenna or Jill 747-2030

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of Alix, Bashaw, Clive, Delburne, Elnora, Haynes, Lousana, Pine Lake, Mirror, & Tes